

Assignment 1 solutions

1a)

$$\Theta\left(\frac{\sqrt{\log n}}{n^{1.5}}\right) \quad \frac{\sqrt{n \log n + 1}}{n^2 + 1}$$

$$\Theta(\log n) \quad \log(n^3 + 2n)$$

$$\Theta((\log n)^2) \quad \left[\log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\right]^2$$

$$\Theta(n^{0.63}) \quad 2^{\log_3 n} = n^{\log_3 2} = n^{0.63}$$

$$\Theta(n) \quad \log_3 2^n = n \log_3 2, \quad 2^{\log_2 n + 1} = 2 \cdot n$$

$$\Theta(n \log n) \quad \frac{n^2 \log n + n}{n + \log n}$$

$$\Theta(n^{1.5} \sqrt{\log n}) \quad \sqrt{n^3 \cdot \log n + n}$$

$$\Theta(2^n) \quad 8^{n/3 + 1} = 8 \cdot 2^n$$

$$\Theta(3^n) \quad (2^{10} + 6)(2^n + 3^n)$$

$$\Theta(8^n) \quad 2^{3n+1} = 2 \cdot 8^n$$

- b) 1. False. For counter example, consider $f(n) = \sqrt{n}$. Note $\sqrt{n} \leq n$, so f is $O(n)$. But $\sqrt{n} \not\geq cn$ for any constant c . $\therefore f$ is not $\Theta(n)$.
2. True. Given that f is $O(n^3)$, then $f \leq cn^3$ for some $c > 0$, $n \geq k$.
 $\therefore f \leq cn^3 \leq c \cdot 8^n$ since $n^3 \leq 8^n$ for all $n \geq 1$. $\therefore f$ is $O(8^n)$.
3. False. For counter example, consider $f(n) = n^2$. Since $n^2 \leq n^3$, f is $O(n^3)$. But $n^2 \not\leq cn$ for any c . Therefore f is not $O(n)$.

c) 1. $f = n^2 - \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\log n} + n(\log n)^2$ is $\Theta(n^2)$.

Show $f \leq c \cdot n^2$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= n^2 - \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\log n} + n(\log n)^2 \\ &\leq n^2 + n(\log n)^2 \quad \text{for } n \geq 16 \quad \log n \leq \sqrt{n} \\ &= 2n^2 \quad \forall n \geq 16 \end{aligned}$$

Show $f \geq cn^2$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= n^2 - \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\log n} + n(\log n)^2 \\ &\geq n^2 - \frac{n^2}{2} \quad \sqrt{n} \leq n^2 \text{ and } 2 \leq \log n \quad \forall n \geq 4 \\ &= \frac{n^2}{2} \quad \forall n \geq 4 \end{aligned}$$

2. $f = \frac{3n^3 - n}{2n + \log n} + 2^{10}$ is $\Theta(n^2)$

Show $f \leq cn^2$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \frac{3n^3 - n}{2n + \log n} + 2^{10} \leq \frac{3n^3}{2n} + 2^{10}n^2 \\ &= 1.5n^2 + 2^{10}n^2 \\ &= (2^{10} + 1.5)n^2 \quad \forall n \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Show $f \geq cn^2$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \frac{3n^3 - n}{2n + \log n} + 2^{10} \\ &\geq \frac{3n^3 - n^3}{2n + n} \quad \log n \leq n \quad n^3 \geq n \\ &= n^2, \quad \forall n \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

3. $f = 2^n \cdot n + n^5 \log n - 1.5^n$ is $\Theta(2^n \cdot n)$

Show $f \leq c \cdot 2^n \cdot n$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= 2^n \cdot n + n^5 \log n - 1.5^n \\ &\leq 2^n \cdot n + 2^n \cdot n \\ &= 2 \cdot 2^n \cdot n \quad \forall n \geq 32 \end{aligned}$$

$n^4 \log n \leq 2^n$
 $\forall n \geq 32$
 (tighter value possible)

	$n^4 \log n$	2^n
$n=2$	16	4
4	512	16
8	12 288	256
16	:	:
32	:	:

for $n \geq 32$, $2^n \geq n^4 \log n$

Show $f \geq c \cdot 2^n \cdot n$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= 2^n \cdot n + n^5 \log n - 1.5^n \\ &\geq 2^n \cdot n - 1.5^n \\ &\geq 2^n \cdot n - \frac{2^n \cdot n}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (2^n \cdot n) \quad \forall n \geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2^n \cdot n &\geq 2(1.5)^n \\ \forall n &\geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

	$2(1.5)^n$	$2^n \cdot n$
$n=1$	3	2
$n=2$	4.5	8
$n=3$	6.75	24

4. $f = \sqrt{n^3+1} + n^2 \sqrt{n+1}$ is $\Theta(n^{2.5})$

Show $f \leq c \cdot n^{2.5}$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \sqrt{n^3+1} + n^2 \sqrt{n+1} \\ &\leq \sqrt{n^3+n^3} + n^2 \sqrt{n+n} \\ &\leq 2n + n^2(2n^{1/2}) \\ &\leq 2n^{3/2} + 2n^{5/2} = 4n^{5/2} \quad \forall n \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Show $f \geq c n^{2.5}$

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \sqrt{n^3+1} + n^2 \sqrt{n+1} \\ &\geq n^2 \sqrt{n+1} \geq n^{5/2} \quad \forall n \geq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Q2. Simple Sort (A, s, f)

$$n = f - s + 1$$

Initialize array $h[1 \dots n]$.

$$\text{last} = -\text{INF}$$

$$\text{lastindex} = 0$$

$$\text{end} = 0$$

While $\text{lastindex} \neq n$

for $i = s$ to f

if $A[i] > \text{last}$

lastindex ++

last = $A[i]$

$L[\text{lastindex}] = A[i]$.

$A[i] = -\text{INF}$ // excludes element $A[i]$

Merge($L, 1, \text{end}, \text{lastindex}$) // note that this returns when $\text{end} = 0$

$\text{end} = \text{lastindex}$

last = $-\text{INF}$

Find worst-case # comparisons:

Consider reverse-sorted input:

iteration 1) $A = 10 \ 9 \ 8 \dots$ 1 comp.

2) $A = 10 \ 9 \ 8 \ 7 \ 6 \ 5 \dots 1 \rightarrow L = [10 \ 9 \rightarrow]$ TOTAL: 2,
 comp. compare.

$L = [9 \ 10 \rightarrow]$

3) $A = [10, 9, 8, 7, \dots] \rightarrow L = [9, 10, 8, \dots]$ TOTAL: 2
comp. comp.

4) $A = [10, 9, 8, 7, 6, \dots] , L = [8, 9, 10, 7, \dots]$ TOTAL: 2.
comp. comp.

∴ Total # comp. for reversely sorted data is $2(n-1) + 1$.

There is no guarantee that this is the worst case scenario!

Other input types would need to be evaluated to determine if more comparisons are possible.

* Note: full marks given for analysis of reversely sorted data, even though this might not be the worst case.

Best-case # of comp: (recall we only count comparisons between elements of the input)

Consider elements sorted in increasing order: $1, 2, 3, \dots, 10$.

lastindex = 0:

while loop:

for $i = 1$ to n

$i = 1$ last = -INF, element 1 added to L, $L = [1, \dots]$

$i = 2$ last = 1. Compare 2 to 1. $L = [1, 2, \dots]$

$i = 3$ last = 2. Compare 3 to 2. $L = [1, 2, 3, \dots]$

\vdots

$i = n$ last = $n-1$. Compare n to $n-1$. $L = [1, 2, \dots, n]$.

} $n-1$ comp.

lastindex = n .

Merge($L, 1, 0, n$) } causes no comparisons.

exit while loop since lastindex = n .

Total comparisons: $n-1$ Note that this must represent the best case scenario, since min # of comparisons in any sorting alg is $n-1$.

Algorithm: See "strand sort" on wikipedia. The alg. description is identical.

Runtime: Best: $O(n)$

Worst: $O(n^2)$

Avg: $O(n^2)$.

b) Execution:

$A = [3, 4, 5, 1, 6, 2]$ $s = 1$ $f = 6$

$e = 1$

first while loop: $e = 3$

2nd while loop:

$e = 3$: $e2 = 4 \rightarrow e2 = 5$

$\text{merge}(A, 1, 3, 5) \rightarrow A = [1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 2]$
 $e = 5$

$e = 5$: $e2 = 6$.

$\text{merge}(A, 1, 5, 6) \rightarrow A = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6]$
 $e = 6$

Exit while loop.

Correctness:

The algorithm is correct because:

- After the first while loop, the section of the array between s and e is sorted (inc.)
- The 2nd while loop executes until $e = f$.
 - At the start of the inner while loop, $A[s \dots e]$ is sorted
 - After each internal while loop, the section of $A[e+1, \dots e2]$ is also sorted
 - $\text{Merge}(A, s, e, e2)$ results in $A[s, \dots e2]$ being sorted
 - $e = e2$.

∴ the algorithm is merging increasing substrings of the array.

Best-case Assume $A[1 \dots n]$ is sorted in increasing order.

Runtime: After the first while loop, $e = f$. ∴ the 2nd while loop is not executed.

$$T(n) = a + \underbrace{(n-1) \cdot b}_{\substack{\text{\# of iterations of 1st while loop}}} \quad \text{runtime of each iteration of while loop.}$$

$$= a + bn - b.$$

$$\leq a + bn \leq an + bn = (a+b)n \quad \therefore T(n) \text{ is } O(n).$$

Runtime on decreasing array: 10, 9, 8, 7, ...

* Recall $\text{Merge}()$ runs in time $\leq d \cdot n$ for n elements.

First while loop: exits after 1 iteration since $A[e] > A[e+1]$.

Second while loop: $e = 1, e2 = 2$

inner while loop exists.

Runtime: c

$\text{Merge}(A, 1, 1, 2)$:

Runtime: $2d$

$e = 2, e2 = 3$

inner while loop exists!

Runtime: c

$\text{Merge}(A, 1, 2, 3)$

Runtime: $\leq 3d$

\vdots

$e = n-1, e2 = n$

while loop exists.

Runtime: c

$\text{Merge}(A, 1, n-1, n)$

Runtime: $\leq n \cdot d$.

$e = n$, exit while loop.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Total Runtime: } & c(n-1) + d(2+3+\dots+n) \\
 & = c(n-1) + d\left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} - 1\right) \\
 & \leq cn^2 + d\frac{(n+1)^2}{2} \leq cn^2 + 2dn^2 \leq (c+2d)n^2 \\
 \therefore T(n) \text{ is } O(n^2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Q3 a) An in place version of MergeSort exists, however the runtime is $O(n(\log n)^2)$.

b) MergeThree(A, g1, g2, f)

// Assumes $s \rightarrow g1$ sorted
 $g1+1 \rightarrow g2$ sorted
 $g2+1 \rightarrow f$ sorted.

Initialise L[], m[], R[], of size f-s.

$O(n)$: $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Copy } A[s \dots g1] \text{ to } L[] \\ \text{Copy } A[g1+1 \dots g2] \text{ to } m[] \\ \text{Copy } A[g2+1 \dots f] \text{ to } R[] \\ L[g1+1] = \infty \quad m[g2+1] = \infty \quad R[f+1] = \infty \\ i=1, j=1, k=1 \\ \text{for } m=s \text{ to } f. \\ \quad \text{if } L[i] \leq R[k] \text{ and } L[i] \leq m[j] \\ \qquad A[m] = L[i] \\ \qquad i++ \\ \quad \text{else if } R[k] \leq L[i] \text{ and } R[k] \leq m[j] \\ \qquad A[m] = R[k] \\ \qquad k++ \\ \quad \text{else } A[m] = m[j] \\ \qquad j++ \end{array} \right.$

total n elements copied: dn

executed n times.

constant c

Total Runtime of MergeThree: $\leq dn + cn \therefore O(n)$

MergeSortThree(A, s, f)

if $f-s \geq 2$ // at least 3 elements.

$$g1 = \left\lfloor \frac{2s+f}{3} \right\rfloor \quad g2 = \left\lfloor \frac{s+2f}{3} \right\rfloor$$

MergeSortThree(A, s, g1)

MergeSortThree(A, g1+1, g2)

MergeSortThree(A, g2+1, f)

MergeThree(A, g1, g2, f)

else if $f = s+1$ // two elements

if $A[s] > A[s+1]$

swap $A[s], A[s+1]$.

(c) $T(n) = \underbrace{3T(n/3)}_{\text{3 rec. calls to input } n/3} + \underbrace{cn}_{\text{Runtime of mergeThree.}}$

Master method: $K = \log_3 3 = 1$ $n^K = n$ $f(n) = cn$
 Since both are $\Theta(n)$, runtime is $\Theta(n \log n)$.

(d) $A = [5 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 1]$ $s=1$ $f=5$

$MP(A, 1, 5)$

$A = [5 \ 4 \ 3 \ 2 \ 1]$

$q_1 = 2$ $q_2 = 3$

$mergeSort(A, 2, 3)$

$A = [5 \ 3 \ 4 \ 2 \ 1]$

$MP(A, 2, 5)$

$A = [5 \ 3 \ 4 \ 2 \ 1]$

$q_1 = 3$ $q_2 = 4$

$MP(A, 1, 3)$

$mergeSort(A, 1, 3)$

$A = [1 \ 2 \ 5 \ 3 \ 4]$

$mergeSort(A, 3, 4)$

$A = [5 \ 3 \ 2 \ 4 \ 1]$

$MP(A, 3, 5)$

$mergeSort(A, 3, 5)$

$A = [5 \ 3 \ 1 \ 2 \ 4]$

$MP(A, 3, 4)$

$mergeSort(A, 2, 4)$

$A = [5 \ 1 \ 2 \ 3 \ 4]$

Final version of A : $[1 \ 2 \ 5 \ 3 \ 4]$.

Runtime Recurrence: $T(n) = \underbrace{c \left(\frac{n}{3} \log \left(\frac{n}{3} \right) \right)}_{\text{MergeSort on } n/3} + \underbrace{T(n/3)}_{\text{Rec. call from } q_1 \rightarrow f} + \underbrace{T(2n/3)}_{\text{Rec. call } s \rightarrow q_2}$

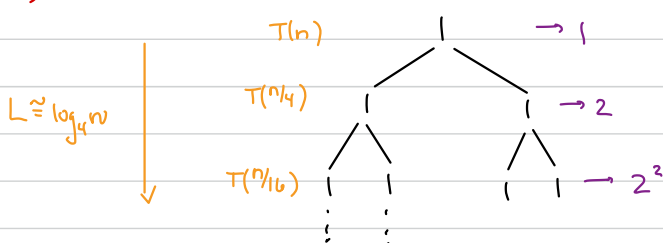
$$T(n) = cn \log n + 2T(n/3)$$

Master method: $K = \log_{3/2} 2 \approx 1.71$ $f(n) = cn \log n$
 $\therefore T(n)$ is $\Theta(n^{1.71})$.

Q4 a) 1. $T(n) = 2T(n/4) + 1$

Runtime:

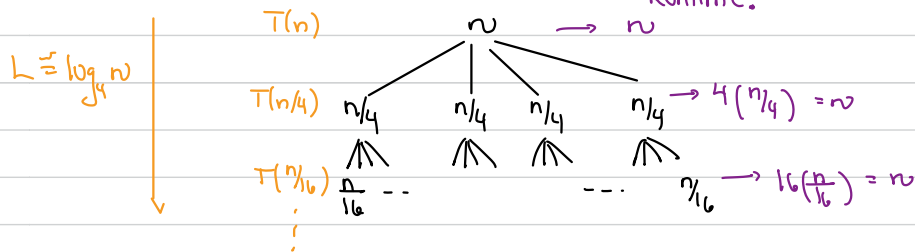
Total Runtime:



$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^L 2^k &= 2^{L+1} - 1 \\ &= 2^{\log_4 n + 1} - 1 \\ &= 2n^{\log_4 2} - 1 \\ &= 2n^{0.5} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore T(n)$ is $\Theta(\sqrt{n})$

2. $T(n) = 4T(n/4) + n$

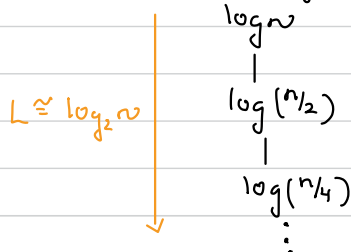


Total: $\sum_{k=0}^L n$

$\approx n \cdot (\log_4 n)$

$\therefore T(n)$ is $\Theta(n \log n)$

3. $T(n) = T(n/2) + \log n$



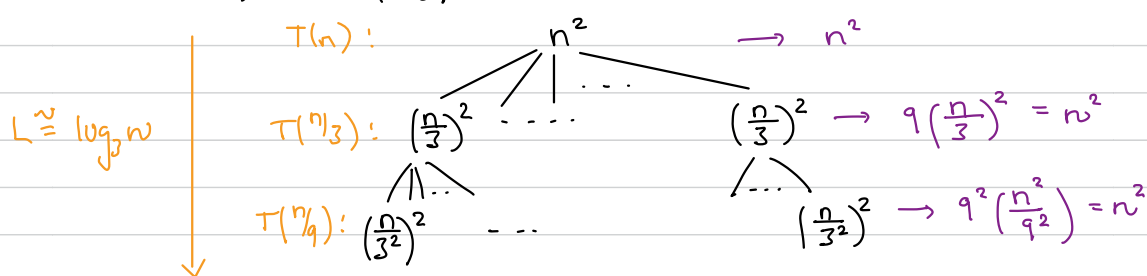
Runtime: $T(n) = \sum_{k=0}^L \log\left(\frac{n}{2^k}\right)$

$\leq \sum_{k=0}^L \log n$

$= (\log n)(\log_2 n)$

$\therefore T(n)$ is $O((\log n)^2)$.

4. $T(n) = 9T(n/3) + n^2$



Total: $\sum_{k=0}^L n^2$

$= n^2 (\log n)$

$\therefore T(n)$ is $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$

- b)
1. $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + n^2 + n$, $K = \log_2 2 = 1$, $f(n) = n^2$, $\therefore T(n)$ is $\Theta(n^2)$
 2. $T(n) = 15T(n/4) + n^2 \log n$, $K = \log_4 15 \approx 1.95$, $f(n) = n^2 \log n$, $\therefore T(n)$ is $\Theta(n^2 \log n)$
 3. $T(n) = 17T(n/4) + n^2 + \log n$, $K = \log_4 17 \approx 2.04$, $f(n) = \Theta(n^2)$, $\therefore T(n)$ is $\Theta(n^{2.04})$
 4. $T(n) = 16T(n/4) + n^2 \log n + n^3$, $K = \log_4 16 = 2$, $f(n) = \Theta(n^3)$, $\therefore T(n)$ is $\Theta(n^2)$